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Applies to all **WATER** service areas**PART ONE****STATEMENT OF CHARGES**  
**WATER SERVICE****I. RATES**

In Opinion and Order No. 63585, dated April 24, 2001, the Commission approved the following rates and charges to become effective with May, 2001 usage:

<u>Meter Size</u>	<u>Usage Included in Minimum Charge</u>	<u>Minimum Charge</u>
Inches	Gallons	Per Month

**A. Residential and Commercial Service**

5/8" x 3/4" Meter	-0-	\$ 9.00
3/4" Meter	-0-	9.00
1" Meter	-0-	9.00
1 1/2" Meter	-0-	\$32.00
2" Meter	-0-	70.00
3" Meter	-0-	110.00
4" Meter	-0-	175.00
6" Meter	-0-	300.00

THE RATE FOR USE IN ADDITION TO THE MINIMUM STATED ABOVE SHALL BE THE SAME FOR ALL SIZES OF METERS. ALL ADDITIONAL USAGE SHALL BE AT THE RATE OF \$1.59 PER 1,000 GALLONS.

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**WATER SERVICE****B. Irrigation Service**

5/8" x 3/4" Meter	-0-	\$ 9.00
3/4" Meter	-0-	9.00
1" Meter	-0-	9.00
1 1/2" Meter	-0-	\$32.00
2" Meter	-0-	70.00
3" Meter	-0-	110.00
4" Meter	-0-	175.00
6" Meter	-0-	300.00
6" Meter-Potable	-0-	300.00
8" Meter	-0-	600.00
12" Meter	-0-	1,050.00

THE RATE FOR USE IN ADDITION TO THE MINIMUM STATED ABOVE SHALL BE THE SAME FOR ALL SIZES OF METERS. ALL ADDITIONAL USAGE SHALL BE AT THE RATE OF \$1.08 PER 1,000 GALLONS. IF ONLY POTABLE WATER IS USED FOR IRRIGATION THERE SHALL BE AN IRRIGATION SURCHARGE OF \$.51, MAKING THE COMBINED CHARGE \$1.59 PER 1,000 GALLONS.

**C. Standpipe and Construction Service**

ALL METER SIZES

ALL USAGE SHALL BE AT THE RATE OF \$2.39 PER 1,000 GALLONS.

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**D. Fire Sprinkler Service**

All meter sizes <sup>1</sup> \$5.00

**II. TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS**

In addition to all other rates and charges authorized herein, the Company shall collect from its customers all applicable sales, transaction, privilege, regulatory or other taxes and assessments as may apply now or in the future, per Rule R14-2-409(D) (5).

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<sup>1</sup> When separate line serves sprinkler system.

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**WATER SERVICE****III. ADDITIONAL CHARGES <sup>2</sup>**

A.	Establishment of Service per Rule R14-2-403D (new customer charge, in addition to E, K, L and M below)	\$ 25.00
	1. If after hours	50.00
B.	Re-establishment of Service per Rule R14-2-403D (same customer, same location within 12 months)	Note <sup>3</sup>
	1. If after hours, additional charge	40.00 <sup>4</sup>
C.	Reconnection of Service per Rule R14-2-403D (after disconnection due to delinquency)	Cost <sup>5</sup>
	1. If after hours, additional charge	30.00

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<sup>2</sup> Plus all applicable wastewater service additional charges

<sup>3</sup> Number of months off system times the sum of the monthly minimum.

<sup>4</sup> This charge shall be assessed for the actual cost of physical disconnection and reconnection (if the same customer) and there shall be no charge if there is no physical work performed.

<sup>5</sup> See Sheet No. 8.

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D.	Charge for moving meter at customer request per Rule R14-2-405B	Cost 6
E.	Minimum Deposit Requirement <sup>7</sup> per Rule R14-2-403B	
1.	Residential customer	(2 times estimated average monthly bill)
2.	Non-residential customer	(2-1/2 times estimated maximum monthly bill)
3.	Deposit Interest	6%
F.	Meter test per Rule R14-2-408F	\$ 45.00
G.	Meter Reread per Rule R14-2-408C	5.00
H.	Charge for NSF Check per Rule R14-2-409F <sup>8</sup>	25.00

<sup>6</sup> See Sheet No. 8.

<sup>7</sup> The Company does not normally require a deposit prior to the provision of service. However, in the event a customer is disconnected for non-payment, this deposit is required.

<sup>8</sup> This charge shall not apply if water service is paid with the same NSF check used to pay for wastewater service for which a NSF fee is charged.

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**STATEMENT OF CHARGES**  
**WATER SERVICE**

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| I. | Deferred Payment Finance Charge, per month <sup>9</sup>    | 1.5% |
| J. | Late Payment Charge, Per Month <sup>10</sup> <sup>11</sup> | 1.5% |

- <sup>9</sup> Deferred payments for water service are only available if established in connection with deferred payments for wastewater service under PART THREE, III.F of this Tariff.
- <sup>10</sup> This charge shall not apply if the customer has arranged for a Deferred Payment Plan.
- <sup>11</sup> Bills for utility services are due and payable when rendered. Any payment not received within fifteen (15) days from the date the bill was rendered shall be considered delinquent and subject to the termination policy set forth in the Company's rate tariff. All late payment penalties shall be billed on the customer's next regularly scheduled billing. If the customer fails to pay the late payment penalty by the due date on the next billing, the customer will receive a ten (10) day termination notice. If the customer does not pay the late payment penalty by that date the service will be terminated. Service shall be terminated only for that service for which the customer is delinquent or is in violation. All customers whose service is terminated for failure to pay the late payment penalty are subject to the Company's reconnection charge set forth in the Company's tariff.

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**WATER SERVICE****K. Service Line Tariff and Meter Advance Policy,**  
Refundable per Rule R14-2-405B:

5/8" x 3/4" Meter	\$ 410.00
3/4" Meter	455.00
1" Meter	520.00
1 1/2" Meter	740.00
2" Meter Compound	1,800.00
2" Meter Turbo	1,235.00
3" Meter Compound	2,340.00
3" Meter Turbo	1,705.00
4" Meter Compound	3,405.00
4" Meter Turbo	2,700.00
6" Meter Compound	6,510.00
6" Meter Turbo	5,035.00
Larger Meters	Cost 12

L. Main Extension Tariff, per Rule R14-2-406B Cost 12 13

M. Hook-Up Fee for New Service Under Paragraphs  
I.A and B above. \$1,000.00

12 See Sheet No. 8.

13 In Decision No. 60929, dated May 26, 1998, the Commission  
authorized waiver of the refundable requirement of the Rule.  
Therefore, all advances pursuant to this Tariff are non-refundable.

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**IV. PERMITTED COSTS**

- A. Costs shall be verified by invoice.
- B. For services that are provided by the Company at cost, cost shall include labor, materials, other charges incurred, and overhead. However, prior to any such service being provided, the estimated cost of such service will be provided by the Company to the customer. After review of the cost estimate, the customer will pay the amount of the estimated cost to the Company.
- C. In the event that the actual cost is less than the estimated cost, the Company will refund the excess to the customer within 30 days after completion of the provision of the service or after Company's receipt of invoices, timesheets or other related documents, whichever is later.
- D. In the event the actual cost is more than the estimated cost, the Company will bill the customer for the amount due within 30 days after completion of the provision of the service or after the Company's receipt of invoices, timesheets or other related documents, whichever is later. The amount so billed will be due and payable 30 days after the invoice date.
- E. At the customer's request, the Company shall make available to the customer all invoices, timesheets or related documents that support the cost for providing such service.
- F. Permitted costs shall include any State or Federal income taxes that are or may be payable by the Company as a result of any tariff or contract for water facilities under which the Customer advances or contributes funds or facilities to the Company.

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**PART TWO**

**STATEMENT OF CHARGES**  
**WATER SERVICE**

**I. CROSS-CONNECTION CONTROL**

- A. Purpose.** To protect the public water supply in the Company's water system from the possibility of contamination caused by backflow through unprotected cross-connections by requiring the installation and periodic testing of backflow-prevention assemblies pursuant to the provisions of the Arizona Administrative Code, Title 14, Chapter 2, Section 405.B.6 as adopted by the Arizona Corporation Commission, and Title 18, Chapter 4, Section 115, as adopted by the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality.
- B. Inspections.** The customers shall cooperate fully with the Company in its efforts to investigate and determine the degree of potential health hazard to the public water supply which may result from conditions existing on the customer's premises.
- C. Requirements.** In compliance with the Rules and Regulations of the Arizona Corporation Commission and the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality, specifically A.A.C. R14-2-405.B.6 and A.A.C. R18-4-115 relating to backflow prevention:
1. The Company may require a customer to pay for and install, maintain, test and repair a backflow-prevention assembly if A.A.C. R18-4-115.B or C applies.
  2. A backflow-prevention assembly required to be installed by the customer under this tariff shall comply with the requirements set forth in A.A.C. R18-4-115.D and E.

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3. The Company shall give any customer who is required to install and/or test a backflow-prevention assembly written notice of said requirement. If A.A.C. R14-2-410.B.1.a. is not applicable, the customer shall be given thirty (30) days in which to comply with this notice. If the customer can show good cause as to why he cannot install the device within thirty (30) days, the Company or the Arizona Corporation Commission Staff may grant additional time for this requirement.
4. Testing shall be in conformance with the requirements of A.A.C. R18-4-115.F. The Company shall not require an unreasonable number of tests.
5. The customer shall provide the Company with records of installation and testing. For each backflow-prevention assembly, these records shall include:
  - a. assembly identification number and description;
  - b. location;
  - c. date(s) of test(s);
  - d. description of repairs made by tester; and
  - e. tester's name and certificate number.

**D. Discontinuance of Service.** In accordance with A.A.C. R14-2-407 and 410 and provisions of this tariff, the Company may terminate service or deny service to a customer who fails to install and/or test a backflow-prevention assembly as required by this tariff.

1. In the event the backflow-prevention assembly has not been installed or fails any test and A.A.C. R14-2-410.B.1.a. is applicable, the Company may terminate service immediately and without notice. The backflow-prevention assembly shall be installed and repaired by the customer and retested before service is restored.

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2. In the event the backflow-prevention assembly has not been installed or fails any test and A.A.C. R14-2-410.B.1.a. is applicable, the backflow-prevention assembly shall be installed and/or repaired by the customer and tested within fourteen (14) days of written notice by the Company. Failure to install or to remedy the deficiency or disfunction of the assembly, or failure to retest shall be grounds for termination of water utility service in accordance with A.A.C. R14-2-410.

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**PART TWO**

**STATEMENT OF TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

**II. RULES AND REGULATIONS**

The Company has adopted the Rules and Regulations established by the Commission as the basis for its operating procedures. A.A.C. R14-2-401 through A.A.C. R14-2-411 will be controlling of Company procedures, unless specific Commission Order(s) provide otherwise.

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**PART THREE**  
**STATEMENT OF CHARGES**  
**WASTEWATER SERVICE**

**I. RATES**

In Opinion and Order No. 63585, dated April 24, 2001, the Commission approved the following rates and charges to become effective with June, 2001 billings:

		Per Connection Per Month
<b>A. <u>General Residential Service</u></b>		
	All Sizes	\$ 44.00
<b>B. <u>Commercial Service</u></b>		Per Connection Per Month
	1. Typical	\$ 200.00
	2. Restaurant	300.00
<b>C. <u>Effluent Sales</u></b>		
	1. On a per 1,000 gallon basis	\$ .97

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**II. TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS**

In addition to all other rates and charges authorized herein, the Company shall collect from its customers all applicable sales, transaction, privilege, regulatory or other taxes and assessments as may apply now or in the future, per Rule R14-2-608(D)(5).

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Applies to all **WASTEWATER** service areas**STATEMENT OF CHARGES****WASTEWATER SERVICE****III. ADDITIONAL CHARGES** <sup>14</sup>

A.	Establishment of Service per Rule R14-2-603D (new customer charge, in addition to D, H, and I below)	\$ 25.00
1.	If after hours	50.00
B.	Re-establishment of Service per Rule R14-2-603D (same customer, same location within 12 months)	Note <sup>15</sup>
1.	If after hours, additional	40.00
C.	Reconnection of Service per Rule R14-2-603D (after disconnection due to delinquency)	Cost <sup>16</sup>
1.	If after hours, additional	30.00

<sup>14</sup> Plus all applicable water service additional charges

<sup>15</sup> Number of months off system times the sum of the monthly minimum.

<sup>16</sup> This charge shall be assessed for the actual cost of physical disconnection and reconnection (if the same customer) and there shall be no charge if there is no physical work performed.

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D.	Deposit Requirement <sup>17</sup> per Rule R14-2-603B	
1.	Residential customer	(2 times estimated average monthly bill)
2.	Non-residential customer	(2-1/2 times estimated maximum monthly bill)
3.	Deposit Interest	6%
E.	Charge for NSF Check per Rule R14-2-608E <sup>18</sup>	25.00
F.	Deferred Payment Finance Charge, per month <sup>19</sup>	1.5%

<sup>17</sup> The Company does not normally require a deposit prior to the provision of service. However, in the event a customer is disconnected for non-payment, this deposit is required.

<sup>18</sup> This charge shall not apply if wastewater service is paid with the same NSF check used to pay for water service for which a NSF fee is charged.

<sup>19</sup> Deferred payments for wastewater service are only available if established in connection with deferred payments for water service under Part One, III(I) of this tariff.

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G.	Late Payment, Per Month, per Rule R14-2-608F	1.5% 20, 21
H.	Hook-Up Fee for New Service Under Paragraph I.A, and B above	\$1,500
I.	Main Extension Tariff, per Rule R14-2-606B	Cost 22, 23

20 Bills for utility services are due and payable when rendered. Any payment not received within fifteen (15) days from the date the bill was rendered shall be considered delinquent and subject to the termination policy set forth in the Company's rate tariff. All late payment penalties shall be billed on the customer's next regularly scheduled billing. If the customer fails to pay the late payment penalty by the due date on the next billing, the customer will receive a ten (10) day termination notice. If the customer does not pay the late payment penalty by that date the service will be terminated. Service shall be terminated only for that service for which the customer is delinquent or in violation. All customers whose service is terminated for failure to pay the late payment penalty are subject to the Company's reconnection charge set forth in the Company's tariff.

21 This charge shall not apply if the customer has arranged for a Deferred Payment Plan.

22 See Sheet No. 18.

23 In Decision No. 60929, dated May 26, 1998, the Commission authorized waiver of the refundable requirement of the Rule. Therefore, all advances pursuant to this Tariff are non-refundable.

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**IV. PERMITTED COSTS**

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- C. In the event that the actual cost is less than the estimated cost, the Company will refund the excess to the customer within 30 days after completion of the provision of the service or after Company's receipt of invoices, timesheets or other related documents, whichever is later.
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**PART FOUR**

**STATEMENT OF TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

**WASTEWATER SERVICE**

**I. SERVICE SUBJECT TO REGULATION**

The Company provides wastewater service using treatment and collection facilities that are regulated by numerous county, state and federal Statutes and Regulations. Those Regulations include limitations and the type of wastewater that may be discharged into the system by any person directly or indirectly connected to the plant.

**II. WASTE LIMITATIONS**

The Company shall have the authority to establish permissible limits of concentration for various specific substances, materials, waters, or wastes that can be accepted in the sewer system, and to specify those substances, materials, waters, or wastes that are prohibited from entering the sewer system. Each permissible limit so established shall be placed on file in the business office of the Company, with a copy filed with the Commission. No person shall discharge, or cause to be discharged, any new sources of inflow including, but not limited to, storm water, surface water, groundwater, roof runoffs, subsurface drainage, cooling water, or unpolluted industrial process waters into the sanitary sewer.

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**III. INSPECTION AND RIGHT OF ENTRY**

Inspections of every facility that is involved directly or indirectly with the discharge of wastewater to the Plant may be made by the Company as it deems necessary. These facilities shall include but not be limited to sewers; sewage pumping plants; all processes; devices and connection sewers; and all similar sewerage facilities. Inspections may be made to determine that such facilities are maintained and operated properly and are adequate to meet the provisions of these rules. Inspections may include the collection of samples. Authorized personnel of the Company shall be provided immediate access to all of the above facilities or to other facilities directly or indirectly connected to the Plant at all reasonable times including those occasioned by emergency conditions. Any permanent or temporary obstruction to easy access to the user's facility to be inspected shall promptly be removed by the facility user or owner at the written or verbal request of the Company and shall not be replaced. No person shall interfere with, delay, resist or refuse entrance to an authorized Company representative attempting to inspect any facility involved directly or indirectly with a discharge of wastewater to the Plant. Adequate identification shall be provided by the Company for all inspectors and other authorized personnel and these persons shall identify themselves when entering any property for inspection purposes or when inspecting the work of any contractor.

All transit motor homes, travel trailers and other units containing holding tanks must arrive at the Company's service area in an empty condition. Inspection will be required of said units prior to their being allowed to hookup to the wastewater system.

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**IV. TERMINATION OF WATER SERVICE FOR VIOLATION OF WASTEWATER RULES AND REGULATIONS**

The Company is authorized to discontinue water service to any person connected to both its water and sewer systems who violates the Company's wastewater terms and conditions as set forth in this Part IV. This termination authority does not apply to non-payment for water or wastewater services.

**V. RULES AND REGULATIONS**

The Company has adopted the Rules and Regulations established by the Commission as the basis for its operating procedures. A.A.C. R14-2-601 through A.A.C. R14-2-609 will be controlling of Company procedures, unless specifically approved tariffs or Commission Order(s) provide otherwise.

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